

REMARKS:

The divisional application is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement from the USPTO mailed on May 28, 2003. In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner grouped original claims 7-9 into one distinct group. This Preliminary Amendment cancels all of the claims of the parent application except claims 7-9. The Preliminary Amendment also adds new claims 21-26. The new claims are fully supported in the parent application as filed. The search and examination of all of the pending claims (i.e., claims 7-9, 21-26) can be made without serious burden to the Examiner. Allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION:

This preliminary amendment modifies the application to indicate that it is a divisional application and adds new claims to more fully claim the present invention.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference call at the convenience of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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Respectfully requested,

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